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Docket No.: F2004-7000US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Philippe M. Arroupe, et al.  
Serial No: 10/519,575  
Confirmation No: 2529  
Filed: December 29, 2004  
For: A STRUCTURAL ELEMENT INCLUDING A NUT FOR  
FASTENING TO AN UPRIGHT, AND A  
CORRESPONDING MOTOR VEHICLE

Examiner: Pedder, Dennis H.  
Art Unit: 3612

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Commissioner for Patents

**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2008, reconsideration and allowance is requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Changes to the claims are shown by strike-through for deleted matter and underlining for added matter.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.